

House Resolution No. 2098

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to welcome esteemed visitors to the Show-Me State; and

Whereas, Charles E. Merrill, Jr., has attained renown as an artist, educator, environmentalist, and philanthropist; and

Whereas, on April 22, 2005, Charles Merrill will be in Saint Louis, Missouri, to attend a reception in his honor at the opening of the “Kaleidoscope” art exhibition at Thomas Jefferson Visual Arts Gallery in Sunset Hills; and

Whereas, “Kaleidoscope” contains visual art work created by Charles Merrill and by his daughter, Catherine Merrill, and will remain in the Thomas Jefferson Visual Arts Gallery through June 8, 2005; and

Whereas, Charles Merrill is a founder of Thomas Jefferson School which takes as its mission to give students the strongest possible academic background, responsibility for their own learning, a concern for other people, and the resources to live happily as adults and become active contributors to society; and

Whereas, the sponsor of a Polish student each year at Thomas Jefferson School, Charles Merrill recognizes the profound impact of education upon a student’s intellect and values and supports the school’s balancing the challenges posed by high standards for academic, personal, and social development with support from a nurturing community; and

Whereas, Charles Merrill is no stranger to honors and accolades and is the recipient of a prestigious Officer’s Cross of the Republic of Poland:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to welcome Charles Merrill to the state of Missouri and to convey to him this legislative body’s most heartfelt best wishes for unparalleled success with the father-daughter art exhibition entitled “Kaleidoscope” at the Thomas Jefferson Visual Arts Gallery in Saint Louis; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Charles E. Merrill, Jr.

Offered by _____
Representative Barbara Wall Fraser
District No. 83

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2098, adopted April 13, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker